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# Obama's online secrets uncovered

By Vanessa Junkin Staff Writer

If not for the Internet advertising used during the 2008 presidential campaign, Barack Obama may not have become the U.S. president.

This point was one of many brought up by Emily Williams, who worked as Obama's online advertising campaign manager from July to November 2008 and spoke at SU on Feb. 11.

Williams, who is currently an interactive account executive for MSHC Partners, first discussed some media background in her lecture, then covered online campaign strategies and answered questions from the audience.

Williams said the Internet was an essential piece of the campaign, but not a separate piece.

"The really remarkable thing, I think, about this campaign, is that

there was this integration of an offline grassroots field program movement and it was woven into all the tools and online presence," she

The online advertising techniques used in the campaign include banner, blog and search engine three different types of targeted advertising, specialized to be appealing to readers. She also noted the importance of having easy-to-understand, accessible pages that viewers were directed to after clicking on ads.

The new media department of this "Obama for America" campaign was composed of young adults - and many interns. "It's a new and emerging technology, and the people who are experts at it are all really young," Williams said.

The department used Web sites like Facebook, MySpace, YouTube and Twitter and also created and

used a social networking Web site called My.BarackObama.com.

Williams added that between 10 million and 13 million people signed up for Obama's e-mail list, compared to John Kerry's previous record of 3 million in 2004.

About three million people donated to Obama's campaign, and many contributed small amounts of money. Although Williams mentioned that less than one percent of the campaign's budget went to online advertising, she noted later thiswasn't a problem - about half of the money raised came from the

This revenue went back into placing additional online ads, and any extra funds were distributed to other parts of the campaign.

"Obama completely shattered all small donor records," she said.

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Adrienne Price photo

Professor Howard Dover, Online Campaign Manager Emily Williams and Perdue Interim Dean Richard Hoffman at Wednesday's presentation.

#### Chinese Lantern Festival



Sarah Lake photo

A hungry lion dances around two unsuspecting SU students at the Chinese Lantern Festival, held last Wednesday in the Bistro. The event featured the Wong Chinese Lion Dancers, who reenacted an ancient luck ritual wherein participants fed the lion lettuce and the number of pieces the lion spit back at them was the number of wishes they were granted. The dance is based on ancient Chinese kung fu techniques.

## **Outdoor Club sponsors** first annual Undie Run

By Laura Bounds Staff Writer

The Salisbury University 2009 Outdoor Club hosted its first annual Undie Run on a chilly Friday, Feb. 13.

The idea for the first SU Undie Run was developed by Shaun Sullivan, vice president of the Outdoor Club. Inspired by a friend who attends Swarthmore University in Pennsylvania, Sullivan saw potential in the school's "Dash for Cash."

"Both male and female rugby players do a naked run every year where they grab

money from spectators who donate to the team," Sullivan said. "I thought it sounded like an awesome idea, so why don't we do

After bringing his proposal to the rest of the club, Sullivan successfully addressed the SGA and the Dean of Student Affairs, setting the first Undie Run on its way. Though a naked run seemed too controversial for the SU campus, wearing underwear was considered acceptable and the club was given a go-ahead for their fundraiser.

See Undi Run Pg. 4



R.L. Pusey photo

In an effort to raise money, the SU Outdoor Club held their first annual Undie Run on Friday afternoon.

# Ruckus

By Jonathan Moynihan

The illegal thing to do is still the cool thing to do. How else does one describe the complete unraveling of an established music distribution service networked across over 200 U.S. university campuses?

The business plan was simple: offer free music to college students across the

country, gain registered users and then charge advertisers for space on their Web site. But why did the Ruckus network suddenly vanish from the Internet last Fri-

day, ridding

"It's difficult to compete with illegal free services,"

Cara Duckworth Ruckus spokeswoman

SU students of alternative and legal access to music? According to Cara Duckworth, a spokeswoman for the recording industry, the answer is simple.

"It's difficult to compete with illegal free services," she said in an interview with The Chronicle of Higher Education. Ruckus's story proves that the signature of agreement from universities does not promise the actual participation of its students.

"Ruckus has been the one that the majority of schools like SU, College Park and others around the country have been pointing to and promoting," said SU Chief In-

SEE Ruckus Pg. 2

## Nationally acclaimed illustrator returns home for lecture



**Brian Collier** 

By Gwyneth Ferrand Staff Writer

Award-winning illustrator and Pocomoke native Bryan Collier spoke at Salisbury University Wednesday, Feb. 11. Collier's latest book, "Barack Obama: Son of Promise, Child of Hope," authored by Nikki Grimes, is one in which his trademark watercolor collages bring the words to life.

The story recalls President Barack Obama's childhood, made vibrant through Collier's inspired collages. While Collier acknowledges there are critics of the book, from the forums of Amazon.com and beyond cyberspace, it does not lessen his pride or his conviction that making art is not always about the artist. "It had to be bigger than just my name on the book," he said of the responsibility of capturing one of the nation's most high profile fig-

It was at age 15 that he discovered a passion for creating collages out of many different mediums, including old newspapers, pictures he had taken, and many kinds of paint - primarily watercolor. "It was like a bolt of lightning," Collier said of deciding to make art.

He's inspired by many things, but he always

tries to put his own spin on the mediums and bring innovation to his work. "I always look beyond the box," he said.

A graduate of Washington High School in Princess Anne, Collier was cheered on by his art teacher, who allowed him to work on his drawings during lunch. "You need a cheerleader, and you have to have purpose," he said of his motivation. "I dedicated one of my books to the custodian at Washington High, who always saw me in the art room during lunch and encouraged me to keep doing what I was doing, that it

SEE Author Pg. 4

you online! LOL!

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#### Gospel of Colonus

Salisbury University presents this riveting musical theatre work for nine performances Thursday - Sunday, February 26-March 1, and Wednesday - Sunday, March 4-8. All shows are 8 p.m., except for Sundays, which are 3 p.m. matinees, in Holloway Hall Auditorium. Admission is \$12, \$10 for seniors. SU ID holders are free. For tickets or more information call the SU Theatre Box Office at 410-543-6228 or visit www.salisbury.edu.

Kalimba King shares Family History Workshop Want to research family roots but don't know where to begin Dr. Ray Thompson, director of Salisbury University's Edward H Nabb Research Center for Delmarva History and Culture, hosts a family history workshop from 9 a.m.-noon Saturday, March 7, at the center in the East Campus Complex. Thompson shares some 60 different types of records and talks about how they may be used in research. "Who wouldn't want to learn more about themselveswhere they came from, who their ancestors were and what they were like?" Thompson said "But when people hear the word 'genealogy,' it brings to mind dusty books, dry statistics and daunting hours of research work. Most people get discouraged before they even begin. For others, it's simply a matter of not having the time to spend hours online or studying historical archives researching their family history. Even the most enthusiastic beginning family researchers need some basic help to get started." Cost is \$30 per person. To register or for more information call 410-543-6312 or visit the Nabb Research Cen-

ter Web site at http://nabbhis-

tory.salisbury.edu.

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# Stated with new textbook plan making this policy work. For exam- cost to the student," said Jones.

Staff Writer

versity System of Maryland Board of Regents will ideally result in students saving money for the 2009-2010 school year.

Board of Regents passed the University System of Maryland Policy on Textbook Affordability Measures, which will strive to keep the costs of textbooks as low as possible for students in the 13 USM schools.

Regent David Nevins noted that each year textbook prices seem to increase by a double-digit percentage increment. He mentioned that with the new policy, students might be able to save as much as 20 or 30 percent on textbooks each semester.

"I do support this policy. It's long overdue and really recognizes the skyrocketing costs of textbooks to students," said Tom Jones, Provost and Vice President of Academic Af-

ple, the policy suggests that faculty continue to use the same editions of

The policy also shows that each fore each semester starts. Staff at textbook costs and textbook

"With the combination of things switching over to electronic, and the faculty being more aware of what's

April Katsirubas photo

Beat

Off-Campus Robbery Feb. 5, 2009

PM he was approached by two then fled on foot.

> Feb. 8, 2009 1 a.m. - 2 a.m.

dent was approached by two Street in Salisbury. The men then fled on foot.

Street Robbery Tips Try to remain calm. Do not rest. Consider the robber dangerous. . In most cases, the robber only vants your valuables/money and is not there to hurt you.

even if you don't see a weapon. 4. If a weapon is displayed, consider it to be real and loaded. 5. Do only what the robber tells you. If you don't understand, tell

8. Don't resist and fight with the assailant unless it is evident that . Remember-your valuables can be replaced, - your life can't.

The online jukebox accepted students of registered universities, and used their university email addresses as sign-in names, allowing them to legally download music onto their computer for enjoyment. The hope was that students would be able to access any style or artist they wanted without violating the guidelines of copyright

Ruckus to satisfy their musical aptheir downloaded content onto cause they couldn't put the songs on their iPods, I know students said. "It's not the main reason

Ruckus's dismantlement came as

Without Ruckus, the University is at a crossroads. "We're trying to figure out what to do next. We're playing with one less club in the bag," Waldron said. SU is not only trying to satisfy the demands of the RIAA, but they're also combating the illegal downloading

"It's a best effort. That's what we can offer," Waldron said. In avenues for downloading music, he

11:30 p.m.

A student reported that on February 5, 2009 at approximately 11:30 masked men on Smith Street near Hazel Ave in Salisbury. The men robbed the student of property and

Off-Campus Robbery

A female Salisbury University stu-African-American males on Smith obbed the student of property and

6. Attempt to get a good, complete description of the robber, - taking note of unique and unusual charac-

formation Officer Jerry Waldron. "We even talk about it at freshman orientation. We had about 2,500 students registered and using the program."

laws, Waldron said.

However, as students used petite, they became frustrated and their portable music devices. "Be-[Ruckus] went down, but it's a sig-

were repeat users," he said. Due to their lack of viewership and use, Ruckus could not charge space, and ultimately, their ad revenue became so low it was unable to sustain the program.

tion of America (RIAA) is saying that colleges have a real responsibility to monitor illegal downloading, and in an act to satisfy their

terms of competing against illegal simply said, "You can't."

"Imperium in Imperio"

defined at Keynote Lecture

Dr. Jon-Christian Suggs, keynote speaker, presented "Imperium in Imperio: Double Consciousness, Dou-

Imperio' for his popular novel in

1899. Griggs defined Imperium in

Imperio as a country within a coun-

nation inside the borders of the

United States, Suggs said. Griggs'

Louisiana and Texas so they could

Imperium in Imperio linked the

African American race and the peo-

ples' struggle with their personal

A hundred years later, Suggs

asked, what has changed? Could the

feeling of Imperium in Imperio still

exist in America today? "Maybe, but

for different reasons," Suggs said.

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who coined the phrase Imperium in the strength of their character pro- Narrative in African American Life.

proclaim a new country within

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stemmed from the U.S. govern-

ment's refusal to recognize the

America as their own.

worth, Suggs said.

past Tuesday, Feb. 10. His speech, ti-novel seceded African Americans to

try: in his case, an African American can "doesn't look like something

cures survival [by leading a double

Calling someone African Ameri-

you can will out of existence" Suggs

said when asked if the term African

America perpetuated double con-

nections to words. Different

sciousness. "We have historical con-

generations have different connec-

tions to words. Some people want to

make those distinctions for differen

"I think double consciousness will

continue...because of irony," Suggs

African Americans know some-

thing white people will never know,

Suggs teaches as Professor Emeri-

tus of African American Literature

at City University in New York, He

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**Admission to Local Night Clubs** 

and that is ironic, Suggs said.

reasons, some not so nice.

ble Citizenship and the Promise of the Obama Presidency" Tuesday night in the Wicomico Room.

By Lauren Sadler

Dr. Jon-Christian Suggs spoke at

tory Month's Keynote Lecture this

tled "Imperium in Imperio": Dou-

Citizenship and the Promise of the

the identity struggle African Ameri-

cans have faced since the nineteenth

century and continue to face today.

Dr. James King introduced his

"mentor and guide," Dr. Suggs.

Suggs noted that 2009 is the hun-

NAACP as well as the bicentennial

Abraham Lincoln and Charles Dar-

dred-year anniversary of the

of two renowned abolitionists,

win. However, it was Sutton E.

Obama Presidency," documented

ble Consciousness, Double

Salisbury's African American His-

Staff Writer

Obama supporters were an integral part of the campaign, Williams said, because they were often able to recruit others. "The number of people that got involved, the number of volunteers, was unlike anything that you've ever seen in politics," she said.

Although the online tactics worked well in 2008, Williams doesn't assume the same plan would be successful for every presidential candidate. "Everything about the online program was really authentic to him," she

At first, she said it was predicted Obama would to lose to Hillary Clinton in the primaries. However, with new techniques in online campaigning and the assistance of American people, he made it to the presidency.

"What we were doing in headquarters — our job there — wasn't really to run this campaign. It was to manage the tools that people were using in the field to run their own campaign," she said.

#### S.O.A.P. weekly events

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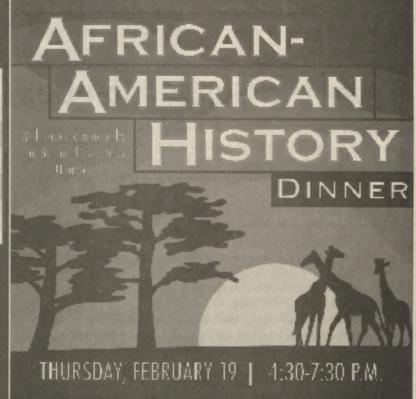
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IN THE BISTRO & TALBOT ROOM



# Students may save money Crime

By Vanessa Junkin

A unanimous decision by the Uni-

At their meeting on Feb. 13, the

Faculty members are involved in

should offer electronic versions of textbooks or use online resources if given the option. the new rules. The bookstores are now required to post additional text- gram. book data — like ISBN numbers on the university Web site long beuniversity bookstores will also pro-

going on, it should help reduce the

textbooks as long as the information order to benefit the University, said remains up-to-date and of high quality. In addition, faculty are supposed to order bundled textbook items only when necessary, and university will be working to enforce by offering used books and imple-

vide faculty with information about bundling and will give students the option to purchase bundled items separately. Each school will also consider additional ways to keep

advised students to let a Regent or the university president know if the policy is unsuccessful. **Ward Museum** affected by

The SU bookstore charges a

Jones. Because SU runs its own

serve the students."

bookstore, Jones explained, "That

profit goes back into the campus to

Lisa Gray, SU Bookstore Director,

mentioned that despite the publish-

ers' high prices of textbooks, SU

has worked to save students money

menting the Bucks for Books pro-

In March, a stricter and more in-

depth textbook policy will be con-

sidered by the Maryland legislature,

said Jones. However, the current

policy outlines requirements for in-

stitutions and recommendations for

Nevins said, "We're delighted that

we passed the policy," and noted

that he and the other Regents will

be happy to see students begin to

save money on textbooks. Nevins

slightly higher rate for textbooks in

By Jacqueline Miller

The current state of the economy has put the Ward Museum of Wildfowl Art in quite a bind. Not only is the museum losing public and private funding, but participation in the various programs they hold, as well.

In order to counteract the effects of the economy, various new programs have been put into place. With a significant decrease in gift shop sales, the museum has begun selling items on eBay.com

The economy has also affected the field trips taken by the local schools. Due to budget reductions schools simply cannot afford to take field trips so the Ward Museum has developed the "Fund a Field Trip Scholarship Program" where members of the community can donate money to help bring field trips back to the kids. "It's a great way to help out the community and local schools," said Exec-

utive Director Lora Bottinelli. The Ward Museum has a lot to offer SU students, from exhibitions to internships to permanent

A few upcoming events students may be interested in are the Things with Wings exhibition, which will be held May 15 to July 19, and the 39th Annual Ward World Championship Wildfowl Carving Competition & Art Festival April 24 to 26. The Things with Wings exhibition, organized timore, showcases the art of ancient Greece. Greek gods and

by the Walters Art Museum in Balother mythological creatures will be featured in the exhibit with bronze and marble statuettes, vases and gems. The Annual World Championship Carving Competition & Art Festival will take place at the

Roland E. Powell Convention and seminars, demonstrations, children's activities and more than 150 exhibitor booths.

portunities at the Ward Museum of Wildfowl Art for all types of majors. They are currently looking to fill many different positions from the education to the public relations department. Although the positions are unpaid, they offer knowledge of the field, on-the-job experience and a way to get your

around the U.S. and 11 different countries, the Ward Museum is a great way to learn about the culture of the arts, work in a diverse environment or simply have fun.

3. Assume the robber is armed, ailing economy Your main goal is to survive! your life is in danger. Ruckus Continued from Pg. 1

Center in Ocean City, MD. People from all over the world come together for the event where there will be benefit auctions, art classes

There are many internship opfoot in the door.

With 2,000 members from all

upset over their inability to transfer began to look elsewhere," Waldron nificant part."

"I don't know if many [students] the necessary amounts for their ad

The Recording Industry Associademands, SU and other universities signed with Ruckus, Waldron said.

a big surprise to anyone who used their services. However, this shock pales in comparison to the alarming truth that SU has a serious and legitimate problem with its students downloading illegally.

amongst the student body.

dent Services, gave a bit of background information on what the show was all about. He said that the instrument known as the "kalimba" was used in the popular music of the sixties and seventies but is now "used in traditional African music." Winters was born in San Antonio, Texas, and attended Texas Southern University. He was a teacher for basic functions in elementary school but later "found a void in the lack of teaching kalimba music." Winters originally used his voice as his instrument, but in 1974 he started to play the kalimba. After 20 years of experience, he felt that he was ready to perform. Winters performed variations of several widely known songs such as "We Shall Not Be Moved," "Amazing Grace" and "O Happy Day." He also did some songs that were not as popular like "Sugar" and "Kalimba Blues." After the songs, some background information on the kalimba itself was shared with the audience. The kalimba is considered an "African thumb piano" and is now popular in many African countries, including Cameroon, Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Uganda and Zimbabwe. Kalimbas can have anywhere from 15 to 27 keys. Some kalimbas are made out of fiber glass; others are made out

Kalimba King Carl Winters performs Thursday night in the Gulls Nest.

A different kind of culture came to Salisbury University on Feb. 12

Before the show Vaughn White, Director of the Multicultural Stu-

**African tradition** 

in the form of Carl Winters a.k.a "The Kalimba King."

By Samantha Fisher

Staff Writer

ADVANCED RENTAL .

Now Winters travels to libraries, multicultural affairs and other

musicians of the kalimba he said, "You have to be dedicated."

events to share his music. When asked if he had any advice for future

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By Nick Lehwald Staff Writer

After two years of controversy, the college social networking Web site juicycampus.com was permanently shut down on Feb. 5. In a statement posted on the site's official blog, founder Matt Ivester announced the closure, saying "even with great traffic and strong user loyalty, a business can't survive and grow without a steady stream of revenue to support it."

Embroiled in controversy almost since its inception in 2007, the closure is a relief to college administrators and students around the country. While intended to be a site where students could post uncensored gossip anonymously about classmates, it quickly became a source of grief for many. According to the site, its mission was to promote "online anonymous free speech on college

Instead, it became a haven for personal attacks, rumor spreading, threats and harassment. At least two users were arrested after they posted threats of violence against their schools and other students.

SU students were not immune from the viral mudslinging. Last semester, the Vice President of Student Affairs Office received several complaints from students, asking that the site be blocked. While SU has the ability to block certain Web sites on campus, it does not take the task lightly.

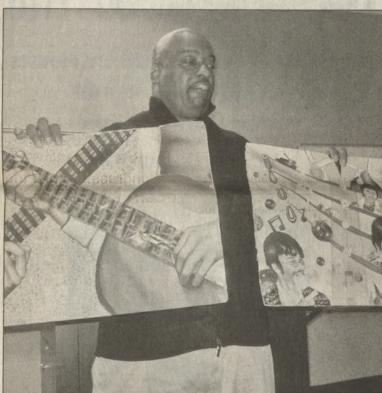
"Blocking specific Web sites is a serious business and has to be considered carefully, since first amendment rights may be involved," said Jerome Waldron, chief information officer for technical services. "Frankly, there was much relief when Juicy Campus closed down, but of course it is just a matter of time before another like it opens."

Another site has already appeared to fill the void. Replacing juicycampus.com is Collegeach.com, which has taken up the reigns in anonymous gossip sharing. Any users trying to find juicycampus.com are being redirected to collegeach.com or the Anonymous Confession Board (ACB), founded and run

by Wesleyan University freshman Peter Frank. While still new, the trend of trash talk has already started on the new site, and is likely to continue into the foreseeable future

Author

Continued from Pg. 1



Brian Collier's most recent work, titled "Barack Obama: Son of Promise, Child of Hope," features his trademark watercolor collages.

would take me somewhere." After getting a partial scholarship to The Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, Collier realized he was in the midst of many budding talents who sought to change the landscape of art, music and fashion. "I had a class with Marc Jacobs, the designer, and many figureheads in the entertainment industry would be teaching classes there. It was an amazing

Collier speaks of his struggle to get recognized in the beginning of his career, saying, "One day a week for seven years I dropped off my portfolio and

got rejected." His advice to budding illustrators is to not wait for opportunities but to seek out prospective publishers and persevere through rejection. "It doesn't have to take you seven years to get published like it took me," he said..

#### From the Suggestion Box

This column is based on the comments and concerns of students, faculty, and staff via the suggestion box online at www.salisbury.edu/suggestionbox. The President's Office seeks responses to the issues raised from appropriate campus personnel. Not everything can be fixed, but a reasoned explanation can be offered. Keep those suggestions com-

From the Suggestion Box

"We need a stop sign or yield sign at the corner where the road that leads to the TETC building runs behind the tennis courts. I walk there every day and on 4 occasions I've seen a driver coming in from College Avenue almost wrecking because they do not see the driver coming out (because of the screens on the tennis court fences). Thanks." Edwin Lashley, Chief of University Police, responded:

"The area referred to in your email was thoroughly examined by the University Police Department. It is our professional belief that the real danger at the location mentioned is view obstruction caused by netting on the south fence of the tennis courts. In the interim a traffic control device that is intended to caution is more suitable for this situation rather than an enforceable stop sign. I will direct that this option be explored immediately."

Also From the Suggestion Box

"Please make an effort to secure access when using a visa credit card for bill payment. This certainly is a hurdle to cross when you have limited access. Please include contact phone numbers in your billing statements. Thanks."

Tony Pasquariello, General Accounting Director, responded:

"We're contacting IT about adding the phone number to the bill. Since our bill is customized, any changes to that will require IT support, testing, etc. I will also contact Sallie Mae about their acceptance of VISA."



Outdoor club members Billy Wootten and Mike Greenfield don thongs during Friday's Undie Run. The club's main goal was to raise money for trips. They raised about \$20. The run began and ended at Maggs Gym.

#### **Undie Run**

Continued from Pg. 1

The main goal of the run was to make trips for the Outdoor Club less expensive for all those who want to attend. Spectators and those running in more than their underwear were asked to donate at least a dollar so the Club can go on a variety of outdoor adventures.

"We need to raise awareness for the Outdoor Club and the run will be a fun way to do it," said Mike Greenfield, a junior at SU and member of the Outdoor Club. "Though it may be a little embar-

DATE

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Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

The Undie Run began at Maggs Gym and the runners made their way around Cheseapeake, Red Square, the Quad and then back to Maggs. "We were really hoping more people would join in but it was fun and hopefully every year it'll get bigger," said Samantha Livingston, secretary for the Outdoor

"We definitely want to make the

do it when the weather is a bit

Club. However, the general consen-

appeared to be that next year they'll

sus when the run was completed

Undie Run happen every year and raise even more money for the Outdoor Club," Sullivan said.

Up next for the club is a Via Ferrata road trip to West Virginia. Taking place over Spring Break, March 13 to 16, the club members will participate in camping, climbing, hiking and cave exploring, all while enjoying the nature of West Virginia. Those wanting to join the Outdoor Club can attend meetings held every Monday at 7 p.m. in room 252 of the Teacher Education and Technology Center.

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A fire truck is dwarfed by flames from a bushfire about 125 kilometers west of Melbourne on Saturday.

## Arson evidence mounts in wildfire investigation

By Meredith Ray Staff Writer

The search for an arsonist is on as Australia continues the nation's largest arson investigation. Titled "Operation Phoenix," the investigation is an attempt to discover how wildfires broke out in Victoria state on Feb. 7. The fires have caused 181 deaths so far, with the total expected to surpass 200. A 39-year-old man has been arrested

in relation to one of the blazes. Four major towns and many rural areas have been destroyed, but the hardest hit was Marysville, a town 30 miles northeast of the state capital, Melbourne. As many as 1 in 5 residents there are expected to be dead.

"The direction it came from, the pace it came with, all of those things are a part of the way we investigate a fire," said Christine Nixon, Victoria's police commissioner. "Part of the concerns about Marysville is that it was just unexplained."

Police consider arson a high possibility since no natural event such as lightening occurred to start the blazes. Any arsonists could face charges of manslaughter or mur-

Strong winds and record temperatures of 115.5 F fueled the fires and spread them across the rural towns north of Melbourne, Aus-

By Kelley Matney

Scientists in Japan have discov-

ered an enzyme that is able to sup-

press breast cancer. The scientists

hope that their breakthrough will

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Breast cancer is the second lead-

women today, after lung cancer, and

is the most common cancer among

women, excluding skin cancer. Ac-

cording to the American Cancer

Society, about 1.3 million women

will be diagnosed with breast can-

cer annually worldwide and about

465,000 will die from the disease.

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Junn Yanagisawa, who works at

the University of Tsukuba's Gradu-

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Staff Writer

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tralia's second largest city. The fires burned 1,100 square miles of land, destroying over 750 homes. At least 5,000 people have been left homeless.

"We've still got several significant fires burning across the state, but the weather conditions at the moment have stilled a little bit, which is allowing some good, active work," said Nina Cullen emergency official.

Many burned areas have yet to be searched and several towns, including Marysville, have been sealed off because of the horrific death scenes within them. Many residents waited too long to escape and perished when they finally made the attempt. Charred cars line the roadways.

"People need to understand that a late departure is the most deadly," Fire Chief Paul Rees said.

The wildfires have been declared the worst natural disaster in Australia's history. Australia is the most fire prone country in the world.

Some experts believe changing demographics account for the high death toll. More people are moving out of the city and into rural areas and are not knowledgeable on how to fight bushfires. Previously living in the city, they relied solely on the fire companies, which are limited in rural Australia.

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Junn Tanagisawa

University of Tsukuba

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for breast tumor treatment,"

Yanagisawa said.

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as in the first experiment.

# Violence on the Korean Peninsula

By Daniel McElwain Staff Writer

Rumblings of violence and war have recently been shaking and confusing South Korean and American diplomats and war generals. The communist North Korea, South Korea's impoverished but nuclear missile toting neighbor, has in the last few weeks broken off ties with South Korea, moved missiles to the border, threatened a naval clash and offered an olive branch of peace. Technically, the People's Republic

of Korea (North Korea) has been in a state of war with its southern neighbor the Republic of Korea (South Korea) since the Korean War of the 1950s. The two nations having signed a truce, not a peace treaty. More recently, events have taken place to shake up the relationship between the two countries, such as the failing health of North Korea's dictator Kim Jong-Ill and the election of South Korean President Lee Myung-bak, who has promised tougher stances on the communist Korea.

Officials in both South Korea and the United States point out that North Korea's saber rattling is actually not aimed at President Lee Myung-bak but instead at the newly inaugurated President Barack Obama. The aim of North Korea it seems is to gain Obama's attention to early negotiations with the United States in hopes of obtaining early concessions. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton will be

making a trip this week to North

Korea's capital Pyongyang, in the

hope for economic aid to keep its

ravaged economy afloat. The North Korean leader celebrated his 67th birthday this Monday and many are still wondering who will replace the aging leader. Possibilities range from one of his sons to a collective shadow council that will rule with a son as a figurehead. Speculation is also high that Monday will see the testing of one of North Korea's Taepodong-2 missiles, missiles that may have the capability of hitting as far as the western United States. The last

# testing of these missiles, in 2006, California may release prisoners to combat

By Sarah Duffy

overcrowding

Federal judges ruled on Feb. 9 to release as many as 57,000 of California's prisoners to combat overcrowding and poor conditions, which is causing inmates to die regularly from lack of medical and mental health care. The judges are calling for the state to present a plan to trim prison populations within two to three years. They say the state can cut prison population by 30 percent, but many are worried about community safety and price implications that the release will entail. The federal ruling says all released inmates will be considered "low risk," but many are skeptical

Many convicted child molesters and drug dealers will be placed back into the communities in which they were originally arrested. Prison Law Office director, Don Spencer, says the ruling presents the safest option.

"We're confident that not only can it be reduced safely, but if the governor spends the billion dollars he would save from reducing the prison population into crime prevention programs, it would actually make the community safer than it is now," Spencer said to MSNBC on Feb. 10. In addition to safety implications, the release could come with a hefty

price tag. Many of the "low risk" prisoners work on the California Men's Colony firefighting crews. This could cost taxpayers millions of dollars in the long run if the convicts leave the crews once given back their freedom. "This order, the latest intrusion by the federal judiciary into California's prison system, is a blunt instrument that does not recognize the imperatives

of public safety, nor the challenges of incarcerating criminals, many of whom are deeply disturbed," said Attorney General Jerry Brown to Reuters The governor's office says it will take the matter to the U.S. Supreme Court if the federal judges do not change their ruling on the releasing of in-

mates. Federal judges did not say when a final decision will be made, but are certain the progress in prison conditions will not be sufficient and that release is the best option.



#### CORNER

February 17

1913 - The Armory Show opens in New York City, displaying works of artists who are to become some of the most influential painters of the early 20th century. 1936 - The world's first

superhero, The Phantom, makes his first appearance in comics.

February 18 1861 - In Montgomery,

Alabama, Jefferson Davis is inaugurated as the provisional President of the Confederate

States of America. 1929-The first Academy Awards are announced. 1954 - The first Church of Scientology is established in Los Angeles, California.

February 19 1878-The phonograph is patented by Thomas Edi-

1985 - Artificial heart recipient William J. Schroeder becomes the first such patient to leave the hospital.

February 20

1872 - In New York City the Metropolitan Museum of Art opens. 1931 - California gets the go-ahead by the U.S Congress to build the San Francisco - Oakland Bay Bridge.

February 21

1878 - The first telephone book is issued in New Haven, Connecti-

1925 - The New Yorker publishes its first issue. 1947-In New York City, Edwin Land demonstrates the first "instant camera," the Polaroid Land Camera, to a meeting of the Optical Society

February 22

of America.

1856 - The Republican Party opens its first national meeting in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. 1980-Miracle on Ice: In Lake Placid, New York, the United States hockey team defeats the Soviet Union hockey team 4-3, in what is considered to be one of the greatest upsets in sports history. 2005 - The band Blink-182, due to an "indefinite hiatus," split up.

February 23

1861 - President-elect Abraham Lincoln arrives secretly in Washington, D.C., after an assassination attempt in Baltimore, Maryland.

Iwo Jima, a group of **United States Marines** and a U.S. Navy Corpsman, reach the top of Mount Suribachi on the island and are photographed raising the American flag. The photo would later win a Pulitzer Prize.

1945-During the Battle of

# Overheard: For what cause would you take off your clothes?



"Cancer. Some people in my family have had it." Bobby Krauk - freshman



Greg Reisler - senior



Jenn Dunn - freshman



Jessica Hedberg - senior



Luis Fernandez - sopho-

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# Poor ethics in the absence of incentives



President Barack Obama hugs Henrietta Hughes after he stepped off the stage

to take a question from her during a town hall meeting to discuss the economy.

By Chad Grills Staff Writer

Democrats are moving at a blistering pace to get families the "help they need." The stimulus has \_ "... whether they had \$47,000 or to help families. Affordable housing is back. Workers will see massive incentives in paychecks this June. Take home pay will be increased by \$13 a week. Reap the uxuries while you can, Because in anuary it will drop to \$8. President Obama's political rallies for these causes included a town hall meeting on Feb. 10. Two individuals in the town hall

audience made a strong impression. Henrietta Hughes made her plea first to the president. Henrietta had "an urgent need" for a nicer car, and a place to live with her own kitchen and own bathroom. Henrietta and her son Corey, who is 37, just wanted some year-old son and get a free house. help. Days later, affordable housing (free) for the Hughes' came from Chene Thompson, who happens to be the wife of State Repre-

sentative Nick Thompson. In 2005, the Hughes sold land for \$47,000. On this and the \$800 a month Hughes receives from disability, Thompson says,

passed. Tax rebates will be arriving \$147,000 in 2005, it doesn't matter. They don't have any money today..."

Julio Osegueda was next up to lobby the President. Although Julio doesn't have an unemployed 37-year-old son, he asked for more benefits. Julio has been employed four and a half years at his current job, and is attending school at Edison College studying communications. Unfortunately, Julio is out of luck until June, when he'll be given \$13 a week more.

In the absence of positive incentives, productivity will die. Work hard for over four years, go to college, and receive \$13 (temporarily). Collect disability with your 37-

Examining causation of the present is meaningless when incentives no longer exist.

# University police show no sympathy

I do not think it is fair that those prisoners

and be released. What about those having

That leads me to my next thought: what

are the criteria for those prisoners released

choose if a burglar or a vandal should be

released over a sex offender or murderer

those released are those that have commit-

ted non-violent crimes and are not those

that have murdered or raped. If that is the

case however, I should hope that prisoners

released from prison are immediately given

a psychiatric evaluation. If the prisoner

fails the evaluation, he or she should at

once be sent to a mental institution and

Addressing the yoga rooms, basketball

courts and courtyards - are they serious?

Why should they be allowed to meditate,

enjoy a game of regulation basketball and

everyday person does not have access to

these amenities in public locations? Have

people that have committed crimes, some

being able to play a game of regulation

for yoga? This is absolutely ridiculous.

violent, and should not have the luxury of

basketball or meditate in a room designed

Prison should be a punishment for doing

wrong, not an enjoyable getaway. These

judges have made two wrong decisions,

and both should be immediately ad-

reflect on their lives when the normal

not be released onto the streets.

or the other way around? I really hope

can just complete part of their sentence

to complete their whole sentence?

early? How does the panel of judges

By Laura Dignan Staff Writer

"I'm sorry, there's nothing I can do about that." These are words from a University Police (UP) officer when I called and explained that my house had been broken into over winter break. As a university student, I was very offended and upset that the police enforcement that should be protecting students was not doing their job.

I live in Cedar Crossing ("New

is still occupied only by college students. I understand that UP is responsible for protecting the campus, but they are also responsible for protecting SU students

whether they are on or off campus. Even-a simple drive around the neighborhood every few hours would suffice. It would only take a potential criminal. It all comes down to preventative measures and

risdiction to areas surrounding the for the Salisbury Police Department campus as well, especially if it keeps the safety of SU students in mind. If they can take the time to bust parties, they can certainly patrol our neighborhood on weeknights and especially over breaks to keep us

and our homes safe. Coming back to Salisbury after a great break at home was a disapfew minutes and could ward off any pointment. I frantically called UP and got the aforementioned answer. After arguing with the officer for a I feel like UP could extend their ju- few minutes he gave me the number Flyer.

and I am deeply grateful that they took my situation seriously and helped me, my roommates and my neighbors through the frightening

Two weeks ago, our own Flyer published an article about the new \$25,000 police car for UP. I hope this means UP will step up their game and protect us or else it was all a waste of money and a waste of a perfectly good front page of The

## Overcrowding leads to Calif. prisoners' early release



California prisoners in crowded conditions may see early release.

By Morgan Majchrzak

A panel of federal judges has ordered that one third of California prison inmates be released due to overcrowding in jails. Along with the release of these prisoners, the federal government has ordered that California must add yoga rooms, regulation size basketball courts, and landscaped we as a society forgotten that these are courtyards so prisoners can meditate and

Is this fair? Is this safe? I do not think it s a good idea for prisoners to be released short of their sentence. They are in prison for a reason - whether it be burglary, theft, vandalism, or assault - and I feel like if you do the crime, you should do the time. Being sentenced means that you were found guilty of the crime committed, and

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# Stimulus bill: Can we the people have a vote?



President Barack Obama speaks to reporters during a meeting about the economy with Congressional leaders, Friday, Jan. 23, 2009.

By Stacie Manger Staff Writer

Let us face it, our country, like the rest of the world, is experiencing economic turmoil. Our news forgets to show that other countries are failing too. While I was in Scotland, the pound tanked on one of the last few days I was there. Britain was bailing out their banks too. So now we have this stimulus bill that is being passed back and forth between the House and Senate. Sounds excellent, right? Spending class of 2009 or people who are to grow. But does a "trimmed" bill of \$787 billion sound great to late the economy" so we can reyou? Not really, considering we

have to borrow the money, which of the provisions will take years puts us in a deeper debt than we before we see a result. are already in.

We do need to stimulate the economy, and a stimulus bill is not a bad way to go about it. But unnecessary spending is not a good solution. An Associated Press article said the bill still includes spending money to replace federal computers and issuing coupons for digital converter boxes so everyone in America can watch television. Hey Congress, how does that create jobs for the laid off? How does that "stimu-

There are some great things in there, like the higher education tax credit, which helps us students and our parents. People who have been laid off can still pay for their health insurance from their old company until they find a new job, though that can

What really bothers me is that they call this a bipartisan bill. To pass in the Senate, they need three Republican votes. Just three. That is not a bipartisan

So why is it that we Americans cover from this recession? Some do not have a say?

Classified Ads

### Obama's environmental polices could harm us

By Eric J. Buratty Staff Writer

Unsurprisingly, Obama reversed many of the environmental policies set by the Bush administration. Focusing on improving standards, he also plans to change the tone of environmental issues related to water and shift the balance of land issues. Like most presidents, Obama appears to be taking steps in the right direction, essentially making a promise to improve policy. But it will all be at a

great price. In contrast to Bush's reputation, his rejection of the Kyoto Protocol and interference by his administration with climate research - he actually laid some useful ground work for Obama. Let's not forget that Bush left some increased financing for non-polluting energy sources and a 30 percent increase in energy-efficiency standards for government buildings.

Although these standards proved to follow good intentions, Obama wanted to kick them up a notch, with little delay - tightening regulations to force automakers to produce more fuel-efficient vehicles. He recently told the EPA to reconsider a request by California to impose its

emissions, blamed for contributing to global warming. And it will only be a matter of time until Obama chal-

lenges the existing Clean Air Act. With water disputes in the West, estuary preservation and coastal erosion, and a variety of ocean-related issues including fishing limits, offshore wind power and the country's place in international marine regulation, there will be increasingly complex, debatable and costly environmental concerns. Not to men-

tion the balance shifts of land rights, soil depletion, and national forests all were clearly limited by economic and political realities in the past. With a new president who thinks money grows on trees, it will be interesting to see how Obama deals with these water and land-related issues. Obama certainly is not wasting

time, and it seems as if he knows what needs to be done, but when will enough be enough? With everything Obama has in store, including his forthcoming stimulus plan, he is definitely creating an expensive reputation for himself, fast. So the only question left is whether Obama will remain consistent with socially optimal outcomes - not just environmentally, but for the country in general.

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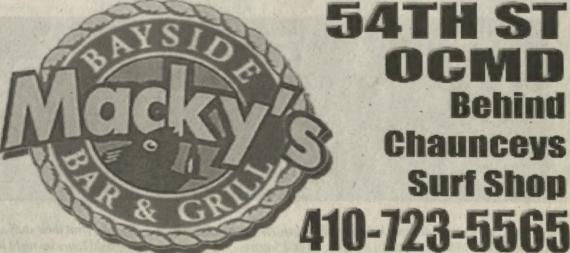
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# **Professor English fluent in the Blues**



Heather Herb photo

Blues professor Chris English will star in his first showcase Saturday, Feb. 21 at 8 p.m. in the Black Box Theater in Fulton Hall.

By Sarah Lake Editor, in Chief

He calls it a labor of love - something that excites him so much he often wakes in the middle of the night thinking about it. To Professor Chris English, preserving the blues is

"It's just a natural extension of what I find valuable in life, which is art and spirituality in blues," he said. English has been teaching at SU

since fall 2004. He has designed a course titled "Blues: Roots of Rock 'n' Roll," and according to colleague Lee Knier, his class always fills up

"He teaches something no one else can teach," Knier said. "I think a lot of people claim to play in blues and jazz styles, but Chris English is au-

Music professor Danielle Cumming

"You speak to Chris for less than a minute and he radiates his commitment to the blues," she said. "It's just pure musicality coming from him all the time."

English has been playing guitar since he was 11 years old. When he first picked up a guitar, English was taking piano lessons, which he describes as "torturous."

"That regimentation didn't suit my nature. The guitar was something I

#### **Authentic blues** showcase planned

English won't be paid for an upcoming solo performance in Black Box Theater, as the show is free and any donations will go toward the Department of Music's Performing Arts

English will perform with authentic period instruments and will stick with a blues regimen, even though a lot of his original songs are country.

"My performance will be really deep, traditional blues that I've interpreted and regurgitated in my own style," he said.

Also performing at English's show case is the World Percussion Ensemble, led by music professor Ted Nichols. They will play traditional diembes - an African drum.

"The drum ensemble is meant to compliment the aura of basic, African traditions," English said. "One of the biggest African traditions is rhythm and melody."

English's performance will be held Saturday, Feb. 21 at 8 p.m. in the Black Box Theater of Fulton Hall. His latest CD, titled "Chris English 1 13-07," will be sold at the show.

"People should attend this show English has released three CDs and because they can learn something. Most people don't really know where formed in West Virginia, Virginia and the blues came from or what it's all about," Knier said. "Plus you always feel good when you're listening to the can, and wherever they'll pay me," he blues. It's funny how that works."

# On the down low: Dean to lecture in ongoing Salisbury Multicultural series

By Ashlee Laughlin Staff Writer

Salisbury University will enter mation of men of color in their into its second week celebrating communities for their own selfthe "Quest for Black Citizenship in the Americas" and African American History Month by hosting author Terrance Dean. The event will begin at 8 p.m. on recognized as a motivational Tuesday, Feb. 24 in the Wicomico

Room of the Guerrieri Center. African American literary author Dean is a recognized motivational lecturer and founder of Men's Empowerment, Inc., based out of New York City. This is an Hop: On the Down Low in the

organization committed to empowering, encouraging and enriching men of color. "Men's Empowerment is an organization that is dedicated to the transfor-

speaker and informative source

empowerment," Dean said on his personal blog site. Through his lectures, Dean is to young women about the secret

life of "down low" men in the African American community. Dean will be lecturing on his



Entertainment Industry from Music to Hollywood." This controversial book was released in 2008 and describes the gay subculture of the hip hop industry from personal experience as a "down low brother." Dean will share how homosexuality is scru-

tinized in an urban setting. To learn more about Dean and his work, visit his Web site at www.terrancedean.blogspot.com or check out the series of books he has written over the years.

This African American History month event is sponsored by SOAP and the Multicultural Stu-

## Participants to get hyped at Mini Relay

By Cara Barrett

Although Relay for Life is still three nonths away, preparations are already in the works for the May 1 event. To get Salisbury University's Relay for Life committee and team members excited, the American Cancer Society will be hosting Mini Relay

could do on my own," he said. "I

my own puzzle."

duced him to the blues.

wanted to apply the music I liked to

the guitar and that motivated me to have a better work ethic. It became

It was English's brother who intro-

"He would bring home this music

that was very foreign," he said. "And

English honed in on Delta blues -

one of the earliest forms of the blues

Charley Patton and Robert Johnson.

blues, the Delta would have the most

"Within the early formation of

African and the most isolated con-

tent," he said. "The musicians made

the music for themselves rather than

English is a Salisbury native. His

"My earliest memories are of his

band practicing while I was trying to

go to sleep," Grayson said. "There

was always music all around. I just

grew up listening to him play the gui-

performs regionally. He has also per-

"I perform as often as I possibly

son, Grayson, is a bass player in

Naked Brunch, a local indie/rock

for commercial purposes."

the more I researched it, the more

beautiful and spiritual it became."

that boasts legends Son House,

Mini Relay University is a small scale version of Relay University. Relay University involves all Relay for why we do what we do. I hope it en-Life participating schools that are in courages people to raise more the same division. Salisbury University is part of the South Atlantic Division. Mini Relay University, on the other hand, incorporates colleges and of Colleges Against Cancer (CAC). universities that are located in similar regions. For SU, this will include other schools from Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C.

The theme for this year's Mini Relay University is "Night at the Oscars." Since it is Hollywood oriented, past successful volunteers will be making special appearances. Attendees can look forward to listening to etv office at 410-749-1624.

other Relay for Life committee members and team captains share their Relay experiences, why they Relay and other general information.

By having local participating schools from the division take part in Mini Relay University, new ideas can be expressed as well as what has or has not worked in the past for their

This year's Mini Relay University

"[Attendees] learn a little more about why Relay is so important and money, as well as gives ideas that we can use to make our Relay better," said Lauren Friedman, co-president

will be on Tuesday, Feb. 17, and is from 5:30 to 8 p.m. in the Worcester Room, above the Commons. Those who were planning on attending, especially team captains or teams members, were asked to respond by this past Friday. For more information call the local American Cancer Soci-

# From the Photo Bank: What's Happening On Campus



Sarah Wright photo The women of ZTA celebrate sorority recruitment in the Great Hall on Friday.



Community members take in the show at

Thursday's Chinese Lantern Festival.



Lauren Mlinac competes in Wednesday's Ping Pong Tournament, held at 8

p.m. in the Fireside Lounge gaming area and sponsored by GUC Events.



Single students take out their Valentines Day frustrations in a friendly pillow fight held Saturday night at 8 p.m. in Red Square.



Couples strut their stuff at Valentines Ballroom Danc- A thong-clad Outdoor Club member ing, held Thursday night in the Wicomico Room.



jumps a picnic table during the Undie Run.

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"My best friend just got back from studying in Scotland over winter break and I feel like she's really changed for the worse. We haven't been getting along as well and I don't know how to confront her or what to say. Any Ideas?"

People are constantly changing and maybe she feels like she grew up a lot studying abroad in Scotland. There are so many possibilities and not all are obvious. Whatever the case, remember her behavior is probably about her and not about you.

One thing you can try to do is be honest with her about your feelings. Say, "I noticed this about you and it is kind of freaking me out and I still want to stay friends with you." See how she responds. If she does get an attitude with you about your feelings, it might be time to reevaluate your friendship. If you can't talk to your friends about how you feel, who

can you turn to? Talking to your friend might also give her an opportunity to tell you about things that have been on her mind. Your friend could be giving you attitude because there is something else bothering her that she's afraid to bring up. Starting a conversation might allow her to open up and get out some of her inner tension.

"A few months ago two of my guy friends touched me inappropriately. The police were involved and everything is fine now but I still hate being touched even by my good friends. Is this normal or am I overreacting?"

Your feelings are not an overreaction — they are normal under the circumstances. I'm sure your trust in people has been damaged since the guys who did this were your friends. You have an improved chance of getting better if you resist the urge to downplay what happened to you and acknowledge to yourself the impact this is having on your life.

Talk to someone you trust. This can be a close friend or relative who cares about you. It may be best to also seek short-term therapy to help you sort through your feelings about the situation

Comedian Ronnie Jordan does his famous Rubben Studdard impersonation at Wednesday's show.

# **Bad Boy of Comedy Ronnie** Jordan rips through SU

By Rachael Stone

Ronnie Jordan, one of HBO's "Bad Boys of Comedy" flew in from Atlanta, Ga. last Wednesday to bring together students, faculty Lite Kings and Queens of Commembers, and members of the public in an all out laugh fest. Hosted by SOAP, Jordan entered the crowded room while students slid into their seats. Colored lights accompanying him, Jordan joked about average college topics that students could relate to. Some of the topics included the relationships between roommates, the differences between girl and guy friendships, the stress of book buy back, making compromises in relationships, germa-phobes and the fear of

A member of the Auburn Moon Agency; which represents popular comedy, music, lecture and special event acts on college tours; Jordan was crowned

By Shane Hill

Sometimes, looking back on our

past, it is hard to believe how we

used to be. Looking at our

driver's license or old photos

from high school, we ask our-

selves, "was that me?" Then we

are forced to defend our current

What's worse perhaps is living

in regret and looking back saying,

times, "what have I become?" In

fact, probably the only universal

agreement would be that in life,

there is not enough time; "Life's

too short" as they say. So I won-

der, do we really need more time, or is

"I wish I could have," or some-

selves and say "I have changed."

Staff Writer

ner in Atlanta. Jordan has also been a crowd favorite at other events including the Queens of Comedy 12 city tour, the Miller edy search tour, Crown Royal Comedy Soul Fest Tour and the RJE Comedy Tour 2003, the longest running comedy tour tar-

Currently Jordan appears regu-Marly at the Punchline Comedy Club in Atlanta. As far as being a crowd pleaser, he is known for his impersonation of Rubben Studdard, which he is often asked to perform when seen in public. "People will come up to me in stores and ask me to do it," he

said. "My wife gets a good kick

get involved in campus activi-

it time to face the truth?

Often I'd sit around with my

old friend Brandi and reminisce

and the crazy shenanigans we got

ourselves into - the classes, the

came to us, we were so convinced

that we were in fact different that

most as painful as trying to find

needles in an endless haystack of

memories. We were changed, al-

though it was the things we had

been through that morphed us

changing though, we wanted so

that so often, we let our past en-

gulf us and un-dug hatchets that

much to re-live the good times

into "better people." Despite

about freshman year of college

boys, ourselves. And when it

we fished for compliments, al-

out of it." Freshman Ellie Gibbs was excited to attend her first campus event. "Because this is my first

Unordinarily

**Our Past Selves** 

"Rookie of the Year" in 2001 by ties," she said. "I went to see this the famed Uptown Comedy Cor- comedian and I thought he was really funny and very charismatic It was a good start to the semester and it really made me feel a part of the university as a

A prospective transfer, Steven Jones, said Jordan's performance made him think about applying to Salisbury. "I came up to visit my geting colleges and universities. friend that goes here and we came out on Wednesday to see Ronnie. He is a very entertaining guy and really related to people

It was evident that the audience was pleased with Jordan's ability to make the crowd laugh. While not on stage, Jordan is staying active within his community. He participates regularly in The Atlanta Youth Convention, serving as a mentor to at-risk youth. Check out Ronnie Jordan on Comedy Central or visit his Web semester at Salisbury, I wanted to site at http://www.ronniejor-

S(h)ane

should have stayed buried. We

Sure, we can always look back

at the pictures, tell the same sto-

ries and even try to squeeze into

old memories and try to live in or

re-create our formal glories and

pitfalls, but are we ever really the

same and that masochistic? The

real thing to ponder is if we could

were living in our past.

go back, would we?

## What's Cooking? Recipes for a tight budget



Sausage Stuffed Peppers By Mike Piorunski

If you looking for a way to impress your date (but are a little strapped for cash), why not invite him or her over for an excellent meal at your place? At some point or another in your life I'm sure you've had stuffed peppers. This recipe is an updated version, utilizing sausage and a bit of red wine to give it a more complex flavor, as well as rosemary and chili flakes which are known for their aphrodisiac qualities. This dish is hearty enough to serve as a main course and would pair excellently with a light salad and/ or roasted red potatoes. You're also in luck because red bell peppers are on sale this week.

Sausage Stuffed Peppers 4-6 Red Bell Peppers 12 oz Italian Sausage (casing removed) or ground beef (Veg-heads can substitute tofu, tempeh or

vegan "sausage") 1 cup long grain brown rice (not minute

1 medium onion (red or yellow) (diced) 1 -2 cloves of garlic (diced) 1 cup diced tomatoes (drained) 2 oz red wine (optional) 3-4 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil Salt & Pepper to taste Few pinches dried oregano Few pinches dried sage and/ or rosemary (optional)

Dash of Hot Sauce (optional) Chili Flakes (optional) Large Pot Baking Pan or Casserole Dish Sauté Pan Medium Pot

Method: 1. Cook the rice according to package in-

2. Remove sausage from casing and set aside to add to stuffing (wash hands thoroughly after this step). 3. Wash and pat dry the bell peppers. Chop off the tops about 1/2 - 1 inch from

stem and remove seeds; dice tops and reserve for stuffing mix. 4. Bring pot of lightly salted water to boil. Place peppers in boiling water for 2-3

minutes; remove peppers, rinse in cold water and let cool. 5. In sauté pan heat 2 tablespoons oil over medium heat. Once hot add diced onion,

Add red wine after about 4 minutes to deglaze pan. Cook until onion is soft: about 5-7 minutes total. 6. Remove sauté pan from heat and add meat, rice, tomatoes, dried herbs, hot

sausage is cooked completely.

garlic, pinch of salt and ground pepper.

In the end, some memories are sauce and a few more pinches of salt and best left in yearbooks and photos . Prepare baking dish by rubbing with 1 and some pasts are best left fortablespoon of olive oil. Rub the peppers gotten; but one day, maybe even with the remaining 1 thsp. of olive oil. tomorrow, we will look back on 8. Stuff peppers with sausage/veggie/ today and wonder, what did I do rice mix and place in baking dish cut side with my life then? After all, the up; add about 1/4 cup water to bottom of memories we carry tomorrow are dish. Bake for 35-40 minutes, or until

# Club Spotlight The Spanish Club

By Diana Dwyer Staff Writer

The Spanish Club at Salisbury University has come a long way since its launch in 1982. Although they were once more formal, meetings and programs now consist of group discussions, community outreach, free tutoring for SU students taking Spanish classes, and

"A tertulia is a group of friends who go to eat tapas, or finger foods, and traditionally talk about things like politics, economics and liter- force what is taught," Meyers said ature. Now people talk about anything. It's more relaxed," said Evelyn Michael, a member of the club.

for Tots and Festival de Los Niños, a library event in which members helped Spanishspeaking families register for library cards. "There were people reading to the kids and there was cotton candy. It was a fun event to encourage Spanish families to read," said

Nick Meyers, president of the club. Upcoming events include The Big Event, the Multi-Cultural Fair. A logo contest is now ishClub.

open to any student who submits a logo through March 14. The entrance fee is \$2 and the collected money will be split equally between the winner and the club as a fundraiser Students who speak little Spanish, or none at all, are welcomed. The Spanish Club holds meetings in English and is open to anyone with an interest in culture and language. "We talk about things like slang, holidays and other cultural aspects. We discuss things you won't typically learn in a classroom and rein-

Dr. Corinne Pubill is the club's advisor and she maintains a friendly relationship with its members. "The Spanish Club should be a In the past, the club hosted events like Toys great opportunity [for students] to practice and expand their knowledge on Hispanic culture by organizing many fun events and helping the community here at Salisbury," Pubill

The club's next meeting is on Thursday, Feb. 19 in TETC room 155 at 7 p.m. Meetings are held every other week. For further information, check out the club's revamped regular movie screenings, Cinco de Mayo and Web site at http://orgs.salisbury.edu/Span-



The Spanish Club participates in open meetings, community outreach, Spanish tutoring and tertulias. They next meet on Thursday, Feb. 19 at 7 p.m. in TETC 155.



Twenty-five SU students participated in the Winter 2009 Equador study program. Other winter programs included Scotland and India.

## Students travel to **Ecuador for winter**

By Robert Cogdell Staff Writer

Many students study abroad during the winter semester in vari- at first, just interesting. I had a ous international programs hosted by the Center of International Education (SUCIE). Twenty five students geared up and ventured to Ecuador during the 2009 winter semester for one of at least three programs offered, including Scotland and India. These programs last any where from two weeks to a semester, or even a year. In this case, the Winter 2009 Ecuador study program lasted one month, with the students departing the day after Christmas.

"The end of the academic experience ended with hard work and hard play," said Spanish professor the Spanish language were taught Carolina Brown, the program's di- "survival Spanish lessons" and rector. This "hard work" consisted of hiking and even visiting the market and learning useful skills like bargaining. Another professor who taught the Communications Arts Study Abroad in Liberal Arts, Voncelia Brown of

ited and studied in such cities as were there in hopes to develop Quito, Ecuador's capital, and ex- other programs. perienced the rare chance to stand Students interested in future in both hemispheres at once on study abroad programs can visit the Equator line. Academic and cultural enhancements were of top priority for both the staff and SUCIE@salisbury.edu

the students, who were eager to learn and adapt to the Ecuadorian way of life.

"It wasn't really bad adjusting host family and the mother was deaf and spoke in Spanish, so I had to speak in Spanish and speak clearly and efficiently," said junior business major Jacob Kowalski. The language barrier was not the only difference between the

two countries, "It was 80 degrees [in Ecuador] versus 30 in Maryland," Kowalski said. Living arrangements were prearranged with host Ecuadorian

families, where the students

resided for the winter semester. Although most of the students spoke some degree of Spanish, those with limited experience in resided with families who were efficient in the English language.

While in Ecuador the group was visited by Maarten Pereboom, the dean of the Fulton School of Ecuador was Dr. Bryan Horikami. the nursing program and educa-While in Ecuador, students vis- tion professor Regina Royer, who

> the SU Center of International Education or inquire via e-mail at

#### SU presents Eating Disorder Awareness Week

By Stacie Manger Staff Writer

Salisbury University is hosting a variety of events from Feb. 23 to 7 in honor of Eating Disorder Awareness week. "Eating disorders are estimated

o affect 1 in 10 females on colege campuses and approximately million males nationwide," said Jen Poole, the MSW intern with Student Counseling Services (SCS). "Eating disorders are ethal; in fact individuals with eating disorders have the highest mortality rate of any mental ill-

SCS, in cooperation with the Residence Life Wellness Team, is promoting "Be Comfortable in Your Own Genes." Community members are asked to donate

jeans that no longer fit in order to p.m. on Wednesday. Thursday's benefit Joseph House Crisis Cen- discussion and screening will perter and to promote being comfortable in one's own body. SCS hopes that on Monday everyone will go. "Mirrorless." This event is to encourage students to not scrutinize themselves in the mir-

On Tuesday at 12 p.m. in the GUC, SCS will host "Straight Talk About Eating Disorders," a panel discussion. "This event provides a great over-view of eating disorders from the personal perspective of an individual with a past history of bulimia and anorexia, the medical complications that can result and the treatment of eating disorders," Poole

SCS will host eating disorder screenings in Maggs from 1 to 3 tain directly to sorority members. The meeting will be in Henson 243 at 5 p.m. The final event on Friday will, "encourage students to declare their independence from the weight-obsested world by signing a mindful eating contract," according to a press release. The contract will be available all week at a table in the Commons lobby along with eat-

ing disorder awareness ribbons. "People need to be sensitive to those around them who may be suffering from an eating disorder to provide support and compassion. In addition, people should be aware that eating disorders are treatable with appropriate counseling and medical services,"

#### Tannen receives prestigious scholarship



Submitted photo

Kirsten Tannen straddles the equator and stands in both hemispheres at once during her stay in Ecuador. is already planning

By Casey Wachter Staff Writer

A Salisbury University junior spent four weeks in Ecuador after receiving a prestigious international scholarship. Kirsten Tannication arts mass media major and Spanish and history minor, was awarded the Benjamin A. Gilman International

Scholarship for study abroad. Tannen spent of December to the end of January exploring and Salisbury campus," Tannen said. adapting to the

culture of an absolutely amazing experience. It touched something in my heart and was the greatest time of, my whole life. I

actually want to live there somelay," Tannen said. After spending four weeks in Ecuador, Tannen

to go back for all of the fall 2009 semester to see more of Ecuador, Peru and the Amazon. According to Tannen, she spent the weekends traveling on many excursions and keeping journals to discuss in class.

The Gilman Scholarship is ofceive this scholarship, students must meet certain criteria. The

be studying abroad for more than four weeks and must be receiving a Pell Grant. On top of these requirements, the student must have a follow-up project that "brings international experience to the

"I started the Global Service club on campus which fundraises Ecuador. "It was to earn money for third world countries to help them improve,"

"I was really happy that I won the scholarship. I couldn't believe it. Honestly, I never expected it. It turned into an experience of a lifetime that I will never forget," Tannen said.

The Benjamin A. Gilman study abroad scholarship is very prestigious and provides over two thousand students a year with

Dr. Brian Stiegler is the director of Salisbury University Center for International Education. He introduced Tannen to the Gilman Scholarship when he visited one of her Spanish classes.

"We are so proud of the accomplishments of our three Gilman scholars from the past

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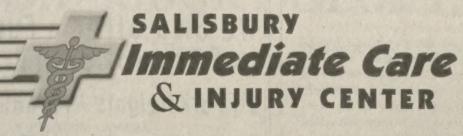
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# Lacrosse defeats Scranton in season opener

By Edward Baidoo Staff Writer

The top-ranked team in Division III men's lacrosse started their quest for their third consecutive national championship with a win in their home opener over the University of Scranton on Sunday 24-6. The top-ranked Sea Gulls had to overcome a quick 3-0 faced. deficit to get the win.

and watched Scranton capitalize on that. After a goal by Scranton's Christian Dugan, the Royals took a 3-0 lead with 9:22 left in the first quarter. The Sea Gulls then started to get into a rhythm and got on a roll starting with a goal by junior defensive midfielder Will Poletis. The Gulls out shot Scranton 45-17 and went on a 24-3 run to close out the game.

Head coach Jim Berkman felt the team did a good job recovering from the slow start. "We were a little anxious out the gate, but we became more patient starting at around the 8-9 minute mark of the first quarter. We made a couple mental mistakes but recovered to score 16 goals in a row. Lots of guys played well today," Berk-

There were lots of great perform-

fielder Kylor Berkman, along with junior attackers Mike Winter and lake DeLillo, led the scoring for SU with four goals each. Berkman also had five assists. Sophomore goalie Johnny Rodriguez also had a great game overcoming the three early goals he allowed to save 10 of the 13 shots he

Scranton was led by Kyle Frank who The Sea Gulls got off to a slow start had two goals and an assist. Scranton goalie Jeremy Dowiak saved 17 out of the 37 shots he faced in the game.

> Coach Berkman was glad to see his Sea Gull team get off to a good start because he knows they will have to play some very tough games in the near future as they get further along in

> "Obviously, the goal is to get out the gate well today and we did. It is always good to get a good win going into the game versus Lynchburg next. It will be a tough game because they are ranked No. 5 in the country and we beat them by one goal last year, so it is good to get a good win before going down to play a top ten team," Berkman said.

The top-ranked Sea Gulls go on the road for their next game against sixthranked Lynchburg on Saturday, Feb.



Seniors Partick Bonanno and Stephen Krasco man-up and play defense in Sunday's rout against the University of Scranton Royals. The Gulls defeated Scranton 24-6, overcoming a 3-0 deficit to get the win.

### Aloha to Hawaii, Aloha to Miami Pro Bowl to move to Miami for 2010 season



the 200-meter dash and finished in cleared a height of six feet four

Colts players pose for a group photo before practice for last year's Pro Bowl. The Pro Bowl will be moved to Miami to "strengthen the [game]."

Lafayette-Rider Invitational held in ran a time of 9.02 seconds in the

By Fred Hobbs

Staff Writer

Aloha is a Hawaiian acknowledgment that can be used to say "hello" or "goodbye." In this case, the "goodbye" comes to mind as next year's 2010 Pro Bowl will be held a week before the Super Bowl in Miami. The NFL announced last Tuesday that the Pro Bowl will be moving from Hawaii for 2010. The site

and date of future Pro Bowl

Last Friday, the Salisbury Uni-

track and field team traveled to

versity men's and women's indoor

New York City to compete in the

the city's Armory Track and Field

Junior Delannie Spriggs led the

way for the men as he placed fifth

out of 70 runners in the 60-meter

dash with a time of 6.97 seconds.

Right behind him was senior team-

mate Justin Acker who placed sev-

enth overall with a time of 7.03

seconds. Acker also competed in

By Therran Dennis

Staff Writer

games has yet to be determined but will include playing the game on a rotating basis in Honolulu.

"We are looking at alternatives to strengthen the Pro Bowl," said NFL Commissioner Roger Good- the Pro Bowl. Right now it is ell. "We will continue to work with the players to make it a great the Super Bowl will not compete event and will evaluate this con-

cept after the 2010 Pro Bowl." The NFC and AFC end-of-the- get fans back into the spirit of year battle has been going on since 1971. In 1980, the NFL selected Honolulu for its Pro Bowl

Track and field take a bite out of the big apple

second place with a time of 22.79,

Freshman Paul Moore placed

30th out of 70 runners in the 400-

meter dash with a time of 51.39

seconds. Senior Quentin Briscoe

After last week's record-break-

ing performance, junior Brandon

Fugett threw for 50 feet, four

inches in the weight throw and

Senior high jumper Bobby

height from last week's meet,

placed seventh out of 35 throwers

Price, who fell short of his record

60-meter hurdles.

one second shy of first. -

#### **Spotlight** and it has been there ever since. Previous Pro Bowls have been Kylie Hall played in other cities such as Miami, New Orleans, Seattle, Los

Angeles, Kansas City, Dallas and

The main reason for the Pro

Bowl being moved is to stimulate

fan interest. Each year, the Pro

prohibited from participating in

speculated that those playing in

in the Pro Bowl. The NFL is try-

ing different strategies in order to

the Pro Bowl and to save the

inches and placed eighth overall.

also scaled a height of six feet

jumped 42 feet, one inch in the

triple jump and ran 9.41 seconds

Senior Jenn Bulger was the lone

athlete for the Sea Gull women as

she jumped 15 feet, seven inches

in the long jump and cleared six

Next week the team will travel

sity to highlight their season in the

Mason-Dixon Indoor Track and

to Christopher Newport Univer-

even to place 21st. Lane also

in the 60-meter hurdles.

feet in the high jump.

Field Championships.

Fellow high jumper Brandon Lane

Bowl has the lowest rating of all

Tampa.

player safety.

By Jeremy Kummer Staff Writer

The Salisbury women's basketball the NFL's post-season games. team has won seven of their last Another reason for the move is nine games and junior forward the condition of Aloha Stadium. Kylie Hall is a very big reason for The stadium is almost 30 years that. Last week, Hall received two awards, the Eastern College Athkeep up with the demands of letic Conference player of the week today's players as well as ensure as well as Capital Athletic Conference player of week. The ECAC One question that comes up is award was the first and only such what about the players in the award for Salisbury basketball men Super Bowl? No information has or women. Hall is putting up 10.8 been released on whether Super points per game along with 9.1 re-Bowl players and coaches will be

> How long have you been playing basketball? Since I could walk.

What's your favorite part about playing for SU? How competitive the team, league

and entire athletic program is.

What is your major? Psychology.

After playing basketball, what do you think you want to do?

tients. Basically in an insane asy-

What is your favorite and most memorable basketball experi-

Making the game winning shot first round of the CAC tournament - that or being the underdog in the county championship in high school and only losing by one.

What is the one thing you couldn't go a day without eating or drinking?

Coffee. Caramel Macchiato with an extra shot of expresso! My team

What genre of music dominates

I have everything to be honest. From 80s and 90s to hip-hop and country, it's all in there.

If you could spend a day with anybody, dead or alive, who would it be and why? My friends and family. I have learned recently how important they are to me and that I wouldn't be me without them. R.I.P. Shane

# I want to work with mentally ill pa-



#### Sea Gulls Sea Gulls

SPORTS BEAT \* SPORTS BEAT \* SPORTS BEAT \* SPORTS

Women's Basketball The women's basketball team (8-

15, 8-6) won two CAC games on the road last week. The Gulls defeated Gallaudet 54-51 and beat Stevenson 61-48. Against Gallaudet, SU had four

players reach double figures in points. Junior Kylie Hall led the way with 14 points and eight rebounds. Freshman Meghan Dunn added 12 points and eight rebounds. Freshmen Glen Charlton and Katharine Curran both scored 11 points in the Gulls third straight The Gulls dropped a game to Gal-

to four after traveling to Stevenson University. Hall led the Gulls with 19 points and 10 rebounds. Sophomore Chante McKinney scored 11 and Curran scored 10 for the Gulls. bounds in the loss. Gallaudet led SU closes out their regular season the entire game as they won their next week with two home games. SU hosts Marymount on Wednes-

lege on Saturday, Feb. 21 at 2 p.m. Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team (10-13, 14. 7-7) split CAC games last week. laudet 80-70 but would rebound The Gulls pushed their win streak with a win against Stevenson 77-66. at 4 p.m.

Junior Devin Jones led the charge against Gallaudet with 22 points. Sophomore Ryan Hourihan contributed nine points and 14 resecond CAC game of the year.

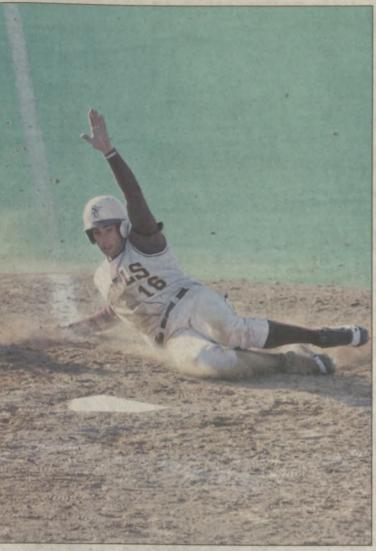
Hourihan led the Gulls in their day, Feb 18 at 6 p.m and Hood Col- win against Stevenson. The sophomore scored 18 points and grabbed 13 rebounds. Jones added 15 points while junior Greg Palmer scored

> The Gulls host Marymount on Wednesday, Feb. 18 at 8 p.m. and Hood College on Saturday, Feb. 21

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Dan McFarland photo

Senior Cody Collins slides in to home safely during Sunday's double-header against Stevens Institute of Technology.

#### No. 9 ranked baseball takes double-header

By Benjamin Muell Staff Writer

Salisbury's baseball team, currently ranked number nine in the Stevens Institute of Technology during Sunday's double-header to move to 5-0 on the season. The Gulls took the games 7-2 and 7-5.

The first game turned into staff ace Eric Willey's second win of the season. The senior threw six innings only giving up two runs while striking out five and walking over the center of the plate with one. Salisbury's offense was centered on right fielder Cody Collins who went three for four and scored two lead off runs. First baseman Mike Celenza provided one hit, two runs and two RBIs.

Centerfielder Jordan Crystal knocked in three RBIs on a one for three day. Freshman Bill Morton was there to close out the seventh for his first appearance of the season.

The maroon and gold's fourth win of the season was earned in the fourth inning after breaking a 2-2 tie. The Gulls collected five runs on three hits and benefited from two Stevens errors and walks. Salisbury closed out the afternoon in the Stevens top half of the seventh of game two with a

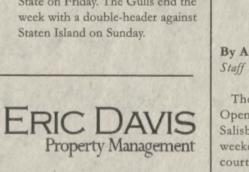
routine ground ball to sophomore shortstop Will Evans to start a game ending 6-4-3 double play. This earned junior Chad Wolfe the relief win. He threw four and country, took two games from the 2/3 innings of shut out ball, striking out five.

The Gulls were kept in the second game by third baseman and pitcher Wolfe's relief outing. Wolfe's outing was highlighted with a big three-pitch strike out of Steven's shortstop Eddie Danielson. He threw a curve ball two on and none down in the top of the seventh

Preseason All-American senior second baseman Randy Boyle had a big day going three for four driving in three runs. Evans and Collins both scored twice which helped bring Salisbury back from an early 5-2 deficient. Celenza who went one for two with one RBI provided the rest of the offense. Catcher Ryan Smith went one for three and an RBI.

The Gulls will stay in Salisbury this week for a four game homestead. They take on Arcadia College on Wednesday and Courtland State on Friday. The Gulls end the week with a double-header against Staten Island on Sunday.

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Open marked the start of the alisbury tennis season. This weekend's competitors took the court at Salisbury's indoor facility. The competition consisted of an open individual and doubles tournament. 32 contenders started the weekend. The main objective of the open is to sharpen skills for the upcoming

Salisbury's Andrew Nottage had his first match against felow teammate Sasha Felikson. Nottage won two sets with scores of 6-0 and 6-1. "I played very well and kept my head," Nottage said. "Calmness and

Nottage faced off against his friend and assistant coach Brendan Kincaid in his second match. Kincaid won two sets

# Tennis starts season SU coaches with Sea Gull Open

Women's tennis

By Kaitlyn Sullivan Staff Writer

After losing just one player, the 2009 Salisbury women's tennis team is looking forward to a competitive and successful sea-

"We're really excited, because we have a really strong lineup including a great group of freshmen," senior Anna Marie Kable

The Gulls have been working hard to prepare for their upcoming season. "We have practice at six in the morning three times a week and we've definitely improved our agility, footwork and speed," sophomore Angela Tenaglia said. "I think all the extra time we have been putting in will give us the edge over the eams that don't practice as much as we do." The Gulls were ranked No. 9 in

the Atlantic South region last year and finished with a record of 16-5. "We had a good record ast season and our overall goal or this year is to obtain a naional ranking. With everyone returning, combined with our new freshmen I think we have a really good shot," assistant coach Brendan Kincaid said. The team plans to use their ex-

perience to their advantage when they face the No. 6 nationally ranked team Mary Washington this April. "We have a pretty tough schedule, but we have a lot of potential. It will be exciting to see how we play against the big power houses," Tenaglia said.



Brett Morgan photo

"Our experience will work most to our advantage in our close

Rachel Iosue

matches," Kincaid said. "One game to look out for early in the season is against Swarthmore. If we beat them it will be a huge conference booster," Kincaid said. Last year, Salisbury finished second in their conference with a record of 5-1.

"I think we are going to have a really good season; we are all really looking forward to it after all the preparing and practicing we have done," Kable said.

The Gulls start off the season this Saturday, Feb. 21 at 1 p.m. against Meredith College at University of Mary Washington.

olay a coach and a friend Not-

tage said, "It was a casual game.

Sasha Felikson found himself

to beat big teams," Felikson

down in 2 matches but because

of fitness we were able to rally

and win in those vital matches."

Singles and doubles contender

Scott Burtzlaff started the open

with a victory beating Mike

Fowler two sets with scores of

6-2 and 6-4. "Fitness and men-

tal focus are what made the dif-

lose in his second match was a

slight set back but the tempo

was quickly picked up again in

his doubles match. Burtzlaff at-

tributed his success in doubles

to a keen understanding of his

partner's game. "We have been

have matching styles," Burtzlaff

The year has started well for

Salisbury's men's tennis team. It

is clear fitness and focus are of

the utmostt importance for this

playing together because we

ference today," Burtzlaff said. A

#### **Men's Tennis**



Brett Morgan photo said. "Just last year we were

By Assef Assefi Staff Writer

The 12th annual Sea Gull

consistency helped me win."

team but only time will tell if all the preparation and hard conditioning will carry the squad into

# need student support to battle cancer

By Jonathan Murga Staff Writer

Cancer is the second highest cause of death among Americans, according to the National Center for Health Statistics, and the coaches of the men's and women's Salisbury University basketball teams are doing their best to draw awareness.

The two promotional events that are being held this week to bring awareness and help fund cancer research are "Coaches versus Cancer" and the "Pink Zone" initiative.

Men's basketball coach Steve Holmes brought the "Coaches versus Cancer" promotion from his coaching stint at SUNY Geneseo.

"Each year we did a onegame event where we take whatever game receipts we got from the crowd and any donations and donated to them to 'Coaches versus Cancer," Holmes said. "I brought that with me when I came. I work closely with the American Can cer Society and that's kind of rolled into the Relay event that has gone over so well for the

last four or five years." The tragedy of cancer has hit home with both SU basketball coaches in a personal manner, which makes the event more

vital and special. "It's extremely important to me. I have a great deal of cancer in my direct family," Holmes said. "I lost my father back in 1991, my wife has lost her older sister and father and her mother is currently dealing with cancer. It's an endeavor that is near and dear to the

heart." Meanwhile, the personal loss for the Sea Gulls women's bas ketball coach Charisse Mapp has happened just recently making the "Pink Zone" event

emotional and significant. "The name on the 305 fund s Kay Yow. She was a mentor of mine. Coach Yow just passed away two weeks ago," Mapp said. "And she battled the disease off and on for many years and I also had a very close friend of mine have it as well. It has touched me." Both coaches stress the worth and importance of serving in the community. Some instances of the basketball teams' service include reading to elementary school children and holding

clinics for community kids.

"It's great to be involved with other groups, it's always an initiative of ours to get out in the community and be visible and do good things," Holmes said. On Wednesday, the Sea Gulls will take on Marymount University at the Maggs Center for the "Coaches versus Cancer" with the women's game beginning at 6 p.m. and the men's game at 8 p.m. Saturday will feature the "Pink Zone" initiative with the women's game starting at 2 p.m. and the men's at 4 p.m. The University is encouraging fans to wear pink to

"Anyway we can use the game," Mapp said. "And the fact that we are visible to serve others and help someone else that's why we are here."

# SALISBURY SPORTS CALENDAR

Tuesday-2/17 Wednesday-2/18 Thursday-2/19

STUDENT HOUSING SPECIALIS"

2 p.m. Baseball vs. Arcadia 3 p.m. Women's Lax vs. Christopher Newport

COACHES VS CANCER: - 6 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Marymount (Va.)

· 8 p.m. Men's Basketball vs. Marymount (Va.)

Cortland State

Friday-2/20 2 p.m. Baseball vs.

Saturday-2/21 Men's Tennis vs. TBD in Sea Gull Invitational

> Womens Tennis vs. Meredith @ Mary Washington · Noon - Baseball vs. Staten Island · 1 p.m. Men's Lax @ Lynchburg PINK ZONE:

2 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Hood pionships · 4 p.m. Men's Basketball vs. Hood (Fans are encouraged to wear pink at

Sunday-2/22 Men's Tennis vs. TBD in Sea Gull Invitational

9 a.m. Track and Field @ Mason Dixon Cham-

Women's Lax @ Hood

Monday-2/23



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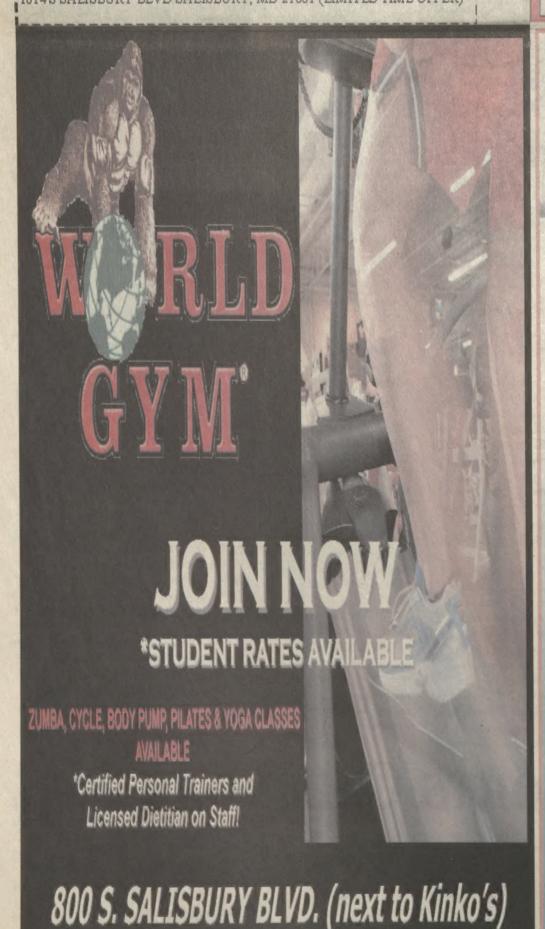
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